has been unable to make an affirmative finding that such loss resulted from no fault or negligence on the part of such agent, reimbursement must be made promptly, except where credit for the payment had not previously been extended.

§ 321.19 Certification of signatures.

The regulations in this subpart shall, to the extent appropriate, apply to losses resulting from payments made in reliance on certifications of signatures by an officer or designated employee of any financial institution authorized to certify requests for payment.

§ 321.20 Applicability of provisions.

The provisions of this subpart shall apply to securities redeemed by any Federal Reserve Bank referred to in §321.25, as fiscal agent, or any Treasury office authorized to redeem securities, as well as to paying agents.

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§ 321.21 Replacement and recovery of losses.

(a) If a final loss results from the redemption of a security, and the paying agent redeeming the security is not relieved of liability for such loss under 31 U.S.C. 3126(a), the Bureau of the Public Debt will demand that the paying agent promptly reimburse the United States in the amount of the final loss and will take such other action as may be necessary to collect such amount as set out in the procedure described in Paragraph 21 of the appendix to this part.

(b) If a final loss has resulted from the redemption of a security, and no reimbursement has been or will be made, the loss shall be subject to replacement out of the fund established by the Government Losses in Shipment Act, as amended.

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Subpart F—Forwarding Items

§ 321.22 Forwarding securities not payable by an agent.

Any securities an agent is not authorized to pay under the provisions of

this part should be forwarded for redemption to the Fiscal Agency Department of a Federal Reserve Bank referred to in §321.25. The requests for payment on the securities should be properly certified. Any documentary evidence required to support the redemption should accompany the securities. If the securities are presented for redemption-exchange, they must also be accompanied by a completed and signed exchange subscription and any additional cash needed to complete the transaction. Unpaid securities so forwarded must not be commingled with redeemed securities transmitted for settlement.

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Subpart G—Miscellaneous Provisions

\$321.23 Paying agent fees and charges.

- (a) Fees. Fees shall be paid as outlined in this section. A schedule setting out the fees, and the basis on which they are computed and paid, is separately published in the FEDERAL REGISTER. Current information is available from a Federal Reserve Bank referred to in §321.25.
- (1) Securities transmitted via EZ CLEAR. A fee will be paid for each security redeemed during a calendar month and transmitted via EZ CLEAR to a Federal Reserve Bank in separately sorted cash letters. Payment will be made to the presenting institution by ACH. No fees will be paid for redeemed securities received by a Bank in mixed cash letters.
- (2) To comply with the provisions of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended (2 U.S.C. 901, et seq.), or the legislative resolution resulting therefrom, the Secretary may authorize, upon notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER, the discontinuance, reduction or delay of fee payments. Fee payments so affected may subsequently be paid in accordance with the schedule of fees as hereafter published, subject to the availability of funds therefor, and to the extent permitted by law. Fee payments for servicing occurring after notice of the resumption of such payments has